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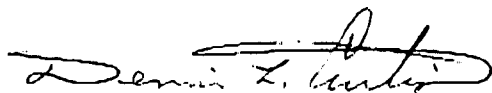
Attorney General John Ashcroft, USDOJ  
950 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW  
Washington, DC 20530

Dear Mr. Ashcroft:

I am writing to articulate my support in regards to the antitrust settlement between Microsoft and the US Department of Justice. As a conservative Republican, I know free enterprise should be given more freedom to operate and innovate, instead of being pulled under the reign of the federal government, as has happened with the antitrust case. At any rate, I am happy to see that the issue is being settled and I really hope that no further action is brought against Microsoft, particularly as the settlement opens the door for increased competition. The settlement will make non-Microsoft software more efficient on a Windows platform as programmers become more familiar with the aspects of the Windows operating system that were a secret up until now.

I also look forward to future product growth and development from Microsoft as well as its competitors. I believe this settlement will facilitate that end. Thank you for your time, and the work you have done to bring this about. This administration is like a breath of fresh air and I believe you are doing a great job. Thanks!

Sincerely,



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cc: Senator John Ensign  
cc: Senator Harry Reid